SB 19-077

FISCAL NOTE

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Summary of Fiscal Impact:

State Revenue  
State Expenditure (minimal)  
State Transfer  
TABOR Refund  
Local Government  
Statutory Public Entity

This bill authorizes electric utilities to create transportation electrification programs and allows for cost recovery. Beginning in FY 2019-20, the bill increases state workload.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

Under this bill, an electric utility may apply to the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) in the Department of Regulatory Agencies to create a transportation electrification program. The bill sets standards for PUC approval and allows for cost recovery.

State Expenditures

The bill will increase PUC workload to review applications as they are filed. This application fits within the normal course of PUC business and does not require an increase in appropriations.

Technical Note

Under current law, the PUC must ensure that regulated utilities do not use ratepayer funds to subsidize nonregulated services. Certain sections of language in the bill are technically inconsistent with this requirement, and the PUC will incur legal services costs to resolve these conflicts if these technical issues are not addressed through an amendment. The fiscal note assumes this technical amendment is forthcoming, and has therefore not addressed these costs.
Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 2, 2019, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 3, 2019, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

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